

## REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to make clarifying revisions to the specification and claims in accordance with U.S. practice. No narrowing of the claims scope is intended.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

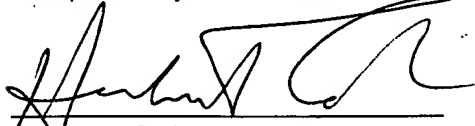
In the event there are any questions relating to this Amendment or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney.

Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME COMISKY & MCCAULEY LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (000020.00017). In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this report, Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**In the Specification:**

Paragraph beginning at line 28 of page 7 has been amended as follows:

The principle of this process is shown by way of example in Fig. 2. Suspension 5 is injected from below in a direction opposite to that of gravity via an inlet 4 into the edge-sealed shuttering 2,3 until the shuttering has been filled. The air can escape in an upward direction through the outlet 6. After curing of the suspension to form concrete, the shuttering is removed. The thin-walled component consists essentially of concrete and at least one compacted steel wool mat. It has unusually high strengths, plastic deformation capability, workability, energy absorption to fracture and elasticity, as a result of which such a thin component can be used as self-supporting building material. For example, it is possible to produce components less than 10 mm thick which have the following properties:

Term beginning at line 7 at the top of page 11 has been amended as follows:

[Claims] WHAT IS CLAIMED

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